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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3653

Examiner: D. Schlak

In re Application of:

Bruce A. BRANDT et al.

Application No.: 09/652,275

Filed: August 31, 2000

For: APPARATUS AND METHODS

FOR PROCESSING MAILPIECE

INFORMATION IN A MAIL

PROCESSING DEVICE USING

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action of August 12, 2003. A fee of \$420.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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